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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention relates to a tubular food casing comprising a reinforcement which is coated on one or both sides. On at least one side the coating comprises at least one film-forming protein, in particular gelatin and/or collagen. Preferably, the reinforcement is a non-woven or spun-woven fabric, a tissue, a fabric, a layered or knitted fabric, which can be permeated by the coating containing protein. The food casing is preferably used as a synthetic sausage casing or cheese casing.